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In re Application of: Hsien-Jue CHU

Serial No.: 09/007,385

Group Art Unit: 1644

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Examiner: S. Turner

For: STREPTOCOCCUS EQUI COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS OF USE

Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 4, 2000, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Sub E1
Claim 2 (Twice amended) A composition comprising a live non-encapsulated attenuated *Streptococcus equi* in combination with an immunostimulant, the immunostimulant having the property of stimulating mucosal immunity and the composition having the property of inducing protective immunity against *Streptococcus equi* infection following *Streptococcus equi* challenge as compared to non-vaccinated horses.